Cancer in Alaska Native People: 1969-2013
The 45-Year Report

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Dedication

Cancer in Alaska Native People: 1969-2013, The 45 Year Report is dedicated to Anne P. Lanier, MD, MPH, and her tireless work on behalf of the Alaska Native people. Dr. Lanier established the Alaska Native Tumor Registry in 1974 in collaboration with the National Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Lanier has been a leader in cancer epidemiology for over forty years. In that time Dr. Lanier has contributed over 200 peer-reviewed publications to the scientific literature, produced numerous reports, and delivered a variety of presentations. Her work has added greatly to our current understanding of cancer among Alaska Native people, as well as led to numerous grants for programs, including the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium’s (ANTHC) Education and Research Towards Health (EARTH) study, the ANTHC Cancer Program, and the ANTHC Tobacco Program. Dr. Lanier continues to be a champion for reducing the burden of cancer and promoting health among Alaska Native people.

Dr. Lanier, we are honored to dedicate this report to you.

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